procedures. The Citizens’ Committee shall advise the Committee on any matter relevant to the purposes of this Order, and may advise the Committee and applicants for construction permits of methods and procedures for the most expeditious processing of permits.

11. This Order shall take effect immediately.


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EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 101

WHEREAS, Bicycling is a pollution-free, healthful, energy-efficient means of transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, Bicycling is recognized by both the State and federal law and the policies and programs of federal, State and local transportation agencies as a legitimate mode of personal transportation; and

WHEREAS, According to the State Outdoor Recreation Plan, bicycling currently is and is projected to continue to be the most popular form of outdoor recreation through the year 2000, when it is estimated that over 282 million recreational bicycle trips will be made annually; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has a reputation nationwide as a prime area for bicycle touring, as exhibited by the thousands of people attracted to annual invitational rides; and

WHEREAS, There are over 20 bicycle clubs in the State, which indicates the popularity of the sport; and

WHEREAS, It is in the public interest of the State of New Jersey to encourage residents to bicycle to save energy, improve the environment, improve public health and to establish facilities and regulations for the safety of participants therein; and

WHEREAS, It is in the economic interest of the State of New Jersey to encourage nonresidents to visit New Jersey for bicycling tours, races and other leisure activities;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas H. Kean, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. There is hereby established a New Jersey Bicycle Advisory Council.

2. The Advisory Council shall be comprised of the Commissioner of Transportation, the Chairman of the Board of New Jersey Transit, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles, the Director of the Division of Travel and Tourism, the Commissioner of Education, the Commissioner of Community Affairs, or their designees, and a representative of the Governor's office and eight (8) public members with a demonstrated active interest in bicycling and representing the various aspects of bicycling from the private sector, to be appointed by me. The Commissioners of Health and Energy and the State Treasurer, or their designees, shall serve in a consultant capacity. The chairperson shall be the Commissioner of Transportation, or his designee, and the Department of Transportation shall serve as the lead agency.

3. The Advisory Council shall have the following responsibilities:

   a. Examine the status of bicycling in the State of New Jersey and make recommendations regarding the promotion of the use of the bicycle as a safe and viable mode of transportation and the development or expansion of programs leading to an improved bicycling environment.

   b. Study and make recommendations regarding other potential uses and aspects of the bicycle, such as bicycle touring, recreation trails and maps, safety, education, health and fitness, law enforcement, competitive racing, potential funding sources and the promotion of tourism from outside the State.

4. In order to carry out its functions, the Council is authorized to call upon any department, office, division or agency of the State to supply such data, reports, or other information it deems necessary. Each department, office, division or agency of the State is authorized and directed, to the extent not inconsistent with law, to cooperate with the Advisory Council and to furnish it with such information, personnel and assistance as necessary to accomplish the purpose of this Order.
5. The Advisory Council shall render its findings and recommendations to the Governor within one year after its first meeting.

6. The Advisory Council shall remain in existence until its final report has been issued.

7. This Order shall take effect immediately.


EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 102

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 97 declared a state of emergency in certain communities of Northeast New Jersey in response to the unusually dry weather conditions this State has experienced since August of 1984; and

WHEREAS, Drought conditions have continued unabated in Northeast New Jersey and there continues to be a lack of adequate rainfall throughout the State, thereby aggravating existing water shortages in all areas of the State; and

WHEREAS, This unusual incident resulting from natural causes endangers the health, safety and resources of the residents and industry of the State and is too large in scope to be handled in its entirety by regular municipal operating services; and

WHEREAS, Surface and ground waters throughout the State are integrally interconnected and the increasing shortage of one resource will lead to the rapid depletion of the other; and

WHEREAS, It is vital to conserve and husband the available surface and ground water resources of the State; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Water Emergency Task Force and the Drought Coordinator have the authority pursuant to C. 58:1A-1 et seq., N. J. A. C. 7:19A-1 et seq., and N. J. A. C. 7:19B-1 et seq. to adopt such rules and regulations, orders and directives as deemed necessary to help alleviate a water emergency;